Short Circuits

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Titusville Amateur Radio Club

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Club Call K4KSC

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Meeting: 4th Tuesday of the month at 7PM at ville Public Library, 2121 S. Hopkins Ave.

Next meeting: July 25th

***"Eating Meeting"*, every Thursday 5:30-6:30PM at the roving restaurant. Talk-in 146.91 or contact Sherry KU4ZO @ 279-2796.**

The President's Corner by Bud Hughes K4CWG

Bob W4YBI and Linda KF4YFN are in the process of moving back to that beautiful state of North Carolina. Bob and Linda have made wonderful impressions on all of us and we will certainly miss this wonderful pair. Bob contributed to the club in so many ways both as a Board of Director member, Newsletter Editor, auctioneer, and speaker and has been a great help to me and the Good Lord knows I needed his guidance. We are grateful to you and thank you so much for all your contribution to ham radio

Bob, Linda you have left your marks and we will miss you immensely. Please k ch. Our prayers and best wishes go with you.

In accordance with the TARC By-Laws at the June meeting the vacancy created by B bs resignation as board member the vacancy was filled by nominating and voting for Don Spade AD4S t erve the remainder of that Board position.

We welcome Don into this position and I look forward to working with Don in the months.

I have appointed Brian Van Alstine WW4G to fill yet another vacancy as a result o g to North Carolina. Brian is our new Newsletter Editor and My thanks to you for volunteering to take this position. Brian has many years experience in this field. We are fortunate to have his expertise as our Newsletter Editor.

I want to recognize others who volunteered to fill this very important post. One is Schultz. Lyle has just acquired a new most appropriate call sign K4TGO. Thank you Lyle for your offer.

This years Fieldday exercise was held at Fox Lake Park. Our club elected to put the emphasis on enjoying the fellowship with fellow club members and visitors rather than getting serious about the contest during the weekend. The covered dish dinner that Saturday was an outstanding event. If you were not there you sure missed a great feast.

Let me remind you of our next club meeting Tuesday 7/25/2006 7:00Pm at the North Brevard Library, 2121 S Hopkins, Just South of Titusville High School.

Word for the Month: LOQUACIOUS.....we all have been accused of this...

Abell's Anecdotes by Pike Abell W4EPU

A TRIBUTE TO JOHN

John Renninger KE4ZPA, Silent key, was a very active and productive member of the Titusville Amateur Radio Club and will be greatly missed. He was a long time member of the Board of Directors and a very active "Volunteer Examiner". John and Pat rarely missed a test session. He was a regular participant in field day activities. John's contribution to TARC goes on and on. His volunteer activities were not limited to TARC. Among other things he was a volunteer of many activities at his church - Trustee, Usher, kitchen worker, etc. He occasionally sang in the choir.

John was born in York, Pennsylvania on February 26, 1929. He was one in a family of three boys. John was a good father and family provider. He was a professional plumber. He and his father were partners in their own plumbing business. They also owned a mobile home park in White Marsh, Maryland. As if that was not enough to keep busy, John was a projectionist at a movie theatre in Maryland. Pat recalls that once when he was showing "The Godfather", he (accidentally?) skipped one whole reel. Apparently, none of the patrons noticed the difference.

John moved to Florida in 1965. He met Pat in 1971. He was working on the plumbing at the pool near her home. When Pat saw him, she said "I want that man". After a whirlwind courtship they were married on November 27, 1971. They celebrated their 35th anniversary last November.

When John, his brothers and Pat's brothers were together they were mischievous practical jokers. One time John and Pat's brother were examining a washing machine in Sears. There was a bag of BB size desiccant pellets in the machine. Just to see what would happen, they turned the machine on. The bag broke, the lid flew open and pellets flew out in every direction. Before any of the salespeople could find out who did it, they ran and hid. At Burdines around Christmas time, John and his brother-in-law came upon a big display of Christmas decorations. They discussed whether they were plastic or glass. John picked up a huge Christmas ball and squeezed it. The ball shattered. A salesperson saw what had happened and chased them around the store, but they escaped.

Finally, for the last couple of years, John spent some of his spare time bagging groceries at Winn-Dixie. He bagged groceries with his usual enthusiasm. His managers regarded him as truly a "Celebrity Bagger".

Rest in peace, John.

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From the Editor by WW4G – Brian

First let me say thanks to Bud....I think!!! Although Bud promised me champagne and cruise in the Caribbean for this position.....boy he's a tough negotiator. So far, all I have gotten is a beer.....

On the lighter side.....if anyone has inputs to ***Short Circuits***....have them to me by the 2nd Friday of the month.

June Meeting Minutes by Cathy Johnson KI4GMF

The monthly meeting of TARC was held on June 27th. We started the meeting by voting in those who had recently joined the club. Next, we had a review of Field Day which this year was dedicated to the memory of John Renninger KE4ZPA. We also sadly accepted the resignation of Bob W4YBI. Bob was not only a board member, but also ran the friendship net, published the newsletter, and was a mentor to new hams. An election to replace Bob on the board was skillfully run by Clara KE4YQL. The new board member is Don Spade AD1S. Don has already run a series of ham classes and plans to start another class for a technician license beginning on Oct. 31.

Big Time Weather - by Brian Van Alstine WW4G

Wayne Morehouse, W4GBW has gone national on his "Lightning Tracker". His site has been added to the Lighning/2000 web site. You can view this and other weather related info on the TARC website: **http://TitusvilleARC.org**. You will find various links that will keep you up-to-date on the weather in Florida and some of the SE states.

Treasurer's Report by Becky Lee KF4HTB

Beginning Balance 1/1/06	$4173.31
YTD Total Income	3008.58
Total Income	$7181.89
YTD Expenses	2484.25
Bal. as at 7/12/06	$4697.04

Items For Sale:

Items left from Bill Quin's estate.

1.ICOM 2100H VHF Mobile Radio		$75.00
2. ICOM IC-7A VHF/UHF Dual Band HT w/ Drop-in Charger		$150.00
3. T.G.M 10-20 Meter Mini Quad Beam Antenna		$50.00
4. Cushcraft R6000 6-20 Meter Vertical Antenna		$50.00
5 . Hustler 5-BTV 80-10 Meter Vertical HF Antenna		$50.00
6 . Cushcraft Ringo Ranger ARX-2B 2 meter antenna		$20.00
7 . Astron Power Supplies		
a. RS-10	$10.00	
b. RS-12	$10.00	
c. RS-35	$75.00	
8. Bearcat 350 Scanner (800 MHz available)		$35.00
9. 1 - 50ft Steel Push-up Mast		$20.00

Whoever buys the mini beam, it can be delivered in the local area. It is great for a new Ham because it will mount on a "push-up Mast". I have the Yeasu GX-450 Rotor that I used available if the price is right. Contact Jim Harris K9VN 636-7743.....k9vn@bellsouth.net

Honoring Veterans & Firemen – Sept 11th

Holiday Inn Cocoa Beach will be honoring veterans and firemen with an open house and a special recognition of veterans from all conflicts. Free food and drinks along with entertainment from 10AM till ?????

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Upcoming Events

July 25 – TARC Club meeting, 7PM, Titusville Public Library, 2121 S. Hopkins Ave
Aug 12 – Fort Pierce Hamfest, 8AM-2PM, Indian River Community College
Aug 26 - Tampa Hamfest, 8AM-1PM, TARC Operations Center

TARC Local Nets

Red Eye Net: 7.228 MHz Sunday, 06:00
Mosquito Net: 28.333 MHz USB Wednesday, 19:00
VIP Net: 146.910 MHz Thursday, 10:00
Friendship Net: 146.910 MHz Tuesday, 18:30

Other Local Nets Frequency Day/Time (Local) Central Brevard
ARES/RACES Net: 147.135 MHz Wednesday, 09:00 Central Brevard
ARES/RACES Net: 147.135 MHz Wednesday, 19:00 IRARC
ARES/RACES Net: 145.370 MHz Wednesday, 19:15 Central Brevard
ATV Net: 146.940 MHz Wednesday, 19:45